## 30<sup>th</sup> Southeast Deer Study Group Meeting February 25 - 27, 2007 Ocean City, Maryland

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Dear Colleague:

## Second Meeting Announcement & Call For Papers

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife & Heritage Service, Deer Project invites you to attend the 30<sup>th</sup> Southeast Deer Study Group Meeting in Ocean City, Maryland. Ocean City is located along Maryland's Atlantic Coast on Maryland's Eastern Shore. The Eastern Shore, with its landscape of small towns, forests, marshes and agricultural fields, is known as the "Land of Pleasant Living". Ocean City, a small town in the winter, expands into a resort city during the popular beach seasons of spring, summer and fall.

The meeting theme is "Deer and Their Influence on Ecosystems". Public support for deer management can be enhanced by highlighting the positive effects that scientific deer management can have on ecosystems. All abstracts investigating deer management and biology are invited and papers are encouraged that examine the relationship of deer populations to forests, old field succession, suburban areas and landscapes of cultivated vegetation. *Abstracts must be submitted no later than November 3, 2006.* Enclosed are abstract instructions, abstract, preliminary agenda and registration form.

## Conference Registration

Only checks or money orders will be accepted for registration (sorry, no credit cards). Registration mailing must be postmarked no later than January 12 to qualify for early registration fee. Send your registration prior to January 12, 2007 and save.

NEW THIS YEAR: Students qualify for lower registration costs; just attach a copy of valid student ID or current class schedule to the registration form.

## Room Reservations

The Princess Royale Oceanfront Hotel & Conference Center hosts this year's meeting. The Princess Royale has a large Atrium with a spacious indoor swimming pool. Oceanview and Poolview Suites are available for \$49.00 (plus taxes), an additional \$15 is charged per person over 2 occupants. Call 800-476-9253 for reservations and request the Southeast Deer Study Group Block.

Additional registration forms, abstract instructions, abstract forms and a preliminary agenda are available on the MD DNR website at <a href="https://www.dnr.state.md.us/wildlife/wtdeer\_meeting.asp">www.dnr.state.md.us/wildlife/wtdeer\_meeting.asp</a>

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